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Hinchey Comments on the Passing Of Retired U.S. Rep. Solomon

KINGSTON, NY – U.S. Rep. Maurice Hinchey today offered the following remarks on the death of former U.S. Rep. Gerald Solomon (R-NY):

"I am shocked and saddened to learn of Jerry's passing. In spite of our political differences, Jerry and I were good friends and I had a lot of affection for him. Even when we disagreed, I respected the fact that he worked so assiduously on behalf of the issues and causes that were important to him.

"I had the pleasure of serving with Jerry in the Congress for six years, but I've known him since late 1974 from our earlier careers as state Assemblymen. In fact, he was one of the first people that I met in the Assembly in the weeks following my first election to that body.

"He was then, and remained throughout his career, a tireless worker for those causes in which he believed. Most admirably, he was known and will be remembered as a tireless fighter on behalf of our nation's veterans and New York's farmers, two issues on which we often worked together. His absence will be deeply felt."